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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

W. G. Coleman appointed general travelling agent of the S. A. L. —— Louis Currier, at Albany, murdered his wife and son, and then cut his own throat. —— Secretary Gage recommends an appropriation for a lighthouse at Cape Romano. —— Argument made before Senate committee in favor of reduction of war revenue tax on tobacco. —— American Cigar Co., capital $10,000,000, incorporated at Trenton, N. J. —— Epidemic of grippe in New York city; all hospitals are filled with sufferers. —— President McKinley is rapidly gaining his health and strength. —— Secretary Long concurs in the recommendation for the transfer of the naval station from Port Royal to Charleston, S. C. —— Chinese peace commissioners received orders from the court to sign the joint note. —— The Hay-Pauncefote treaty, as amended, is under consideration by the British cabinet. —— Twelve persons killed during a panic in a Chicago theatre. —— British Foreign Office officials deny the reported cession of a railway in China to Russia. —— New York markets: Money on call nominal; prime mercantile paper 4@5 per cent.; cotton dull, middling uplands 10½c; flour was dull and more or less nominal at old prices; wheat—spot dull, No. 2 red 79¾c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 46¾c; oats—spot dull; rosin unchanged; spirits turpentine quoted firm.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 12.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 56 degrees; 8 P. M., 50 degrees; maximum, 71 degrees; minimum, 50 degrees; mean, 60 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .03; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .1.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M., 4.8 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—For North Carolina—Fair Sunday; colder in extreme eastern portion; winds generally southwesterly, light to fresh on the coast. Monday fair.

Port Almanac—January 13.

Sun Rises	7.09 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.09 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 00 M.
High Water at Southport	1.10 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	3 40 P. M.

McKinley has the grip. But it isn't half as hard to get rid of as the old grip Hanna has on him.

Poor old China will have to do some hustling to pay the $600,000,000 indemnity the Powers propose to demand of her. The probabilities are that she will have to swap 'em some real estate.

Three years ago there were 332 abandoned farms in Massachusetts which have been now reduced to 126. Many of them have been taken by Canadians, who manage to make something out of them.

A Georgia darkey went rabbit-hunting the other day. He chased a rabbit into a hole. He followed and didn't find the rabbit but found a cave walled in with salt blocks and now they think they have a big salt mine.

According to the Julian calendar, which Russia goes by, the twentieth century does not put in an appearance in Russia until 12 o'clock to-night. But Russia keeps up with the procession all the same and isn't getting behind time.

The New York *Post* says the city government of New York costs $100,000,000 a year and that there are few people who take the trouble to find out where the money goes. Perhaps they realize the fact that they couldn't if they tried.

Gen. Von Waldersee says he cannot comply with the request of China to cease military expeditions, because they are necessary. More of them and larger ones may be necessary if the allied powers do not change their programme.

There are number of Republican statesmen who want to step in between Teddy Roosevelt and his Presidential aspirations. One of them is Gov. Shaw, of Iowa. His boomers say the next President should come from West of the Mississippi.

Maryland is a good farming State and life on the farm there ought to be as agreeable as anywhere, but the Baltimore *Sun* calls attention to the drift of population to the cities and towns and says the rural population has actually decreased since 1890.

A Pennsylvania man who was supposed to be dying of laryngitis was suffering from a case of half swallowed false teeth, which he thought he had left in his barn. After suffering for several days he told his physician that he thought he felt a lump in his throat when examination revealed the missing teeth, which were taken from their hiding place and the old man got well.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The alarm of fire from box 31 at 1 o'clock this morning was false.

— We regret to note that Mr. P. Heinsberger is still confined to his home by sickness.

— The annual meeting of the Seamen's Home Society will be held on Tuesday, February the 5th.

— The last quarantine in the city was raised yesterday. There is now not a contagious disease in Wilmington.

— The shad benches at Front street market will be rented at public auction on Wednesday at noon. See advertisement.

— Mrs. Jane Johnson, who died Friday at the City Hospital in the 66th year of her age, was buried yesterday afternoon at Bellevue Cemetery.

— Mr. H. A. Kure has been given the contract for raising the sunken steamer *Hawes*. He hopes to have her right side up by the middle of this week.

— The adjourned annual meeting of the lot owners of Oakdale cemetery will be held at the office of the company, No. 205½ Princess street, Monday night at 8 o'clock.

— The balance of the stock of H. L. Fennell, bankrupt, will be closed out at one half of invoice cost by Marsden Bellamy, Jr., Esq., trustee, beginning to morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

— There will be a meeting Monday night at 8 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. of members of the different basket ball teams to look into the matter of organizing a league. The games will be played in the City Hall.

— Rev. J. J. Payseur will conduct the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Mr. Leslie Busey, of Ludden and Bates' music house, will be the pianist at these meetings hereafter.

— The entire stock and fixtures of the Bartholomay Brewing Company's branch establishment in this city will be sold on the premises by Cyrus S. VanAmringe, auctioneer, on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

— Thomas Brown was before the Mayor yesterday for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. The defendant was fined $20 and costs, which was suspended on condition that he leave the city. If he returns within six months the fine will be imposed.

— "God's Child, the Criminal," will be Dr. Blackwell's theme Sunday night with special application to the proposed State school for the reformation of youthful criminals. There is a very general request that the pulpits at this time touch upon this theme.

— Oscar Joseph, colored, was locked up at the police station last night for the larceny of a vest from the clothing establishment of Mr. I. Shrier. He subsequently sold the vest to a Syrian merchant in the vicinity of Front street market and was arrested by Policeman E. J. Grimsley.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. J. Davis—Livery stables.
M. H. Curran—Closing out.
Market Committee—Notice.
VonGlahn & Gibson—Shirts.
N. F. Parker—Monday, $3.50.
M. Bellamy, Jr.—Bankrupt sale.
S. & B. Solomon.—Hanan shoes.
C. W. Yates & Co.—Stationery.
Wil. H. & L. Asso'n—New stock.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Closing out sale.
J. H. Rehder & Co.—Remnant sale.
A. Shrier—Stock still going at cost.
Meeting-Lot-owners Oakdale Cem'y

BUSINESS LOCALS.

P. H. Hayden—Buggies, wagons.
C.S. VanAmringe—To be sold at auc'n

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mrs. J. E. Bunting is visiting in Fayetteville.

— Mrs. John McLaurin returned last evening from Durham.

— Miss Essie and Ottie Pannill have returned from Petersburg, Va.

— Mr. J. W. Cowan, of Dunn, N. C., was a Wilmington visitor yesterday.

— Mr. and Mrs. Warren G. Elliott, Jr., returned yesterday from Richmond.

— Capt. F. M. Fitts and daughter, Mrs. R. W. Wallace, returned from Mt. Olive yesterday.

— Miss Annie Kidder and Miss Cocke, her guest, are spending several days at Kendall plantation.

— Miss Nellie Johnson, of Warsaw, arrived yesterday to take treatment for her eyes under Dr. Galloway.

— Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Ferrell, of Boston, who have been spending some timehere, left last night, returning home.

— Misses Reston and Lucile Banck returned last night from Goldsboro, where they have been visiting friends.

— Mr. F. J. Haywood, Jr., assistant cashier at the Atlantic National Bank, left yesterday to spend a few days at his old home in Raleigh.

— Mr. A. Bequest, the popular and genial agent of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, is spending several days in the city.

— Mr. H. H. Jones, of Pollocksville, N. C., passed through the city yesterday on his way home after a month spent at Chadbourn, N. C.

— Rev. S. H. Isler, of Goldsboro, was here yesterday on his way to fill his appointment at Topsail Presbyterian church. Assisted by Rev. Wm. Black, he will conduct a series of revival services at Pollocksville N. C., beginning next Friday night.

NEW CITY CHARTER

Will Be Submitted to the Board of Aldermen on Wednesday Night.

THE IMPORTANT CHANGES

As Embodied in the Report of Attorney Meares to the Council—Only Mayor and Aldermen Will Be Elected by the People.

A special meeting of the Board of Aldermen will be held Wednesday night to consider the draft of the new city charter recently prepared by City Attorney Iredell Meares. The amended charter would make about six columns of the STAR and hence it is not printed, but in lieu thereof, the following report of Mr. Meares, which embodies all the important changes, is given:

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of Wilmington:

GENTLEMEN: I respectfully submit the re-draft of the City Charter prepared under the direction of your board and the Board of Audit and Finance.

In its preparation I have had in view chiefly the embodiment in one consistent act of the essential provisions of the various acts now in force which have been passed since 1740 to the present time. Within that time there have been many of these acts, some repealing others, some declared unconstitutional, some now obsolete, and through the fragments of these acts remaining the chartered powers of the city had to be found. It has not been my purpose to engraft upon the present charter any radically new features. The various acts which have been enacted indicate some phase of our municipal experience. I have rather tried to preserve the result of this experience, while yet endeavoring to make the re draft sufficiently ample to avoid its frequent alteration hereafter. I have enlarged the machinery for carrying into effect provisions, which are now in charter, as in the instance of street improvements, and I have abridged like provisions in other cases, as in the procedure for condemning land for opening up new streets by simply directing that it be done under the provisions of the Code for the condemnation of lands for public purposes. It has been necessary, too, to re-arrange some of its parts, not in changing them, but rather in producing a more orderly arrangement of the sections. It may be well to call attention to certain parts of the charter.

First—The boundaries, plan and ward divisions are not changed. The gentlemen, who within a few days after your board directed this work and before it had been touched, began circulating their passions and petitions even without inquiry about proposed changes, may now enjoy the consolation of the old lady in the prayer meeting who informed the brethren she had had "a great deal of trouble all her life—about things that never happened."

Second—The machinery for holding elections for aldermen is substantially unchanged. The only provisions included in this re-draft relate to the qualifications of electors to conform them to the recently adopted Constitutional Amendment.

Third—The provisions with reference to the Mayor's court are the same as those at present existing. The only addition under this head is a provision which allows the aldermen in their discretion to appoint a recorder to preside over the municipal court. I do not think that this is a power likely to be exercised at present, but contemplating the growth and development of the city, the time may not be distant when the Mayor should devote his time exclusively to its fiscal affairs, and this section has been added to meet a condition which may hereafter arise.

Fourth—The powers of the aldermen are enumerated in Section 41 more in detail than is contained in the present charter. This section, however, is but an enumeration when left to be inferred from the general law. It is a section that was prepared by Mr. E. S. Martin in 1894, when he was employed to re-draft the city charter. I am indebted to him for it. This work was contemplated that year, but abandoned because of the political character of the Legislature of 1895.

Fifth—The sections under the head of Street Improvements carry out in detail what is contemplated in the present charter but the present charter is defective in providing a procedure for pro-rating assessments, when such improvements are made, and in supplying this defect, I have substantially followed the charter of the cities of Raleigh and Asheville, which have been reviewed by the Supreme Court of this State and upheld as valid and constitutional.

Sixth—The sections under the provisions for a Sewerage System is a substantial re-enactment of an Act of 1891, permitting the question of sewerage to be submitted at any time to the qualified voters and for the issue of bonds, if they so vote.

Sixth—The sections for the establishment, both of an electric lighting plant and of a water-works plant, whenever a majority of the qualified electors may vote to issue bonds for that purpose, is not to be found in the existing charter. The question of sewerage, water supply and electric lighting are pressing questions. The contract which the city now has with the Water Company involves an appropriation annually of $6,750.00. The city is not supplied with potable water. There is a provision in this contract that after a term of years the city may purchase the present water plant. If it should be the desire of the city in the future to exercise its option in this respect, the necessity for the issue of bonds would be apparent. The matter of lighting this city has been one of fruitful discussion before this present administration. We are depending at present upon one electric plant. It is probable that both as to the water supply and as to the electric lighting the city will find it to its interest to contract for this with private corporations. These provisions are not inserted for the purpose of suggesting municipal ownership of these public utilities, but to permit the city to be in a position to act if occasion may demand it. I doubt if the city would make much more of a success in getting better water than has been made, for the present company, I am informed, has spent over $12,000 in the effort, and the sum total of the result of its work thus far is that it has gone down 1,500 feet in the ground and succeeded only in digging up a law suit that has interrupted further operations.

Seventh—Attention is called to a provision inserted authorizing the city in making contracts for electric lighting to do so for a longer period than a year. This has been inserted because it is practically impossible for any electric company to equip its plant based on a one year contract. The Mayor of Boston has recently recommended to that city both the lengthening of its contract with the corporation lighting Boston so that it could properly equip itself, and that in making the contract the condition should be inserted that at intervals of three years the city may, if it sees fit, "have the price arbitrated through a commission of three persons to be selected —one by each party and the third by the two persons thus selected," who shall agree upon the contract price, and "the basis of the arbitration to be the cost of production, plus equitable allowances, agreed upon in advance for depreciation and profit." The city will doubtless find it more convenient to lengthen its contract and agree upon a price through a commission as suggested. However, where we are depending upon one electric light company the city ought to have some power to resort to its own system of electric lighting in case an equitable arrangement cannot be made with the local company.

Eighth—The sections relating to the Police and Fire Departments are substantially in harmony with the present acts and police regulations. There are two provisions, which looking to the development of trained men in these departments, are contained in this re draft of the city charter. It is provided that the Board of Aldermen shall appoint three persons as a Board of Examiners, who shall at least annually examine the members of the police and fire departments as to their qualifications, and rate them under three grades, and that the aldermen may in their discretion fix a different rate of salary for the respective grades. There ought to be some reward of merit in the police system, and these provisions put it in the power of each policeman or fireman by making for himself a good record to draw the maximum salary. Another provision gives to the Mayor, who certainly ought to have the command of these subordinate forces, the power, after hearing, to suspend or discharge policemen or firemen under the grade of chief, and where this occurs, he cannot appoint, but the vacancy is filled by the Board, and the Board is prohibited from re-appointing the same person so suspended or discharged. All policemen will be appointed in the first instance by the Board of Aldermen. As the people, through the primary system, practically elect the Mayor, the effect of this arrangement gives to the Board the power to appoint, but to the Mayor the power to discharge, and the one power is a check upon the other. This was a provision suggested two years ago in changing our charter, and was approved by a large assemblage of the citizens at a public meeting.

Ninth—The power of taxation is a substantial embodiment of the existing charter and revenue acts of this State. In the present charter there are several pages of enumerated subjects of taxation, which I have excluded, as under the constitutional power to tax property, real and personal, trades and professions, and under the interpretation of this power by the Supreme Court, the enumeration of the subjects of taxation is unnecessary. There is a provision under these sections, however, for a Board of Equalization, composed of two members to be appointed by the County Commissioners and three by the Board of Aldermen, who together shall revise the tax lists of this city annually. This power is now exercised by the Board of County Commissioners, without the city authorities having any voice in it, although more largely interested, and it seems to me that a special board created for this express purpose would do the work more effectively than the commissioners, who now perform it incidentally to their other duties. An examination of the tax returns certainly show the importance alike to all citizens of making persons with some approach to equality give in their taxable property.

Tenth—The provisions for the Board of Audit and Finance remain practically the same. Inserted in these is a power for the chairman to call special meetings, and also that where both the Aldermen and Board of Audit and Finance concur, street work may be done under the supervision of the city itself rather than by contract.

Eleventh—The primary law adopted by the last Legislature for the nomination of city officers remains unchanged, except that the Chief of Police is eliminated from the act, and it is now applicable only to the nomination of the Mayor and Aldermen.

Twelfth—The last section of this act contains a repeal of all pre-existing acts, so as to leave this charter the embodiment of our chartered powers. Ordinarily a general clause repealing all inconsistent acts would be sufficient, but I have deemed it prudent to brush aside all of these acts by a direct repeal so as to eliminate any question as to whether or not pre existing acts are inconsistent with this charter.

Thirteenth—There are some minor provisions which I do not deem of sufficient importance to direct special attention to, but they will be found in the act, and been incorporated to meet existing conditions and the needs of our city's growth.

I have endeavored to give an intelligent study to this work, which has not been submitted to the review of any one. I have not sought to engraft my own views upon the city government. I have rather confined myself strictly to the professional work in hand. I preferred that this re draft might go to your body as well as to the citizens of this community in its completed shape and without the suggestion that it has been prepared to subserve the interest of any particular class. The resolution of your Board had not been passed a week before petitions were being circulated and "ulterior motives" were being surmised by certain individuals, who are more inclined to agitate than to intelligently regard the interests of the city. I do not ask that this re draft be adopted, but I do ask the citizens of this community, before acting upon it, to read and digest it with some intelligent regard for the best interests of the city. Personally I am wedded to no provision in it, and its alteration and amendment would in no wise disturb an evening's rest.

With respect, I remain,
IREDELL MEARES,
City Attorney.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure promp and regular delivery.

SUPERIOR COURT CALENDAR.

Members of the Bar Met Yesterday and Arranged Cases for Trial at Forthcoming Term.

Members of the bar of the city met yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at the office of Col. Jno. D. Taylor and arranged the calendar of cases to be tried at the term of New Hanover Superior Court, which will be convened to morrow week, Judge W. A. Hoke, of Lincolnton, presiding. Eugene S. Martin, Esq., presided at the meeting and Marsden Bellamy, Esq., was secretary. Following is the arrangement made for the trial of cases:

FIRST WEEK.

Monday—J. R. Strauss, Executrix, vs. City of Wilmington; Laura G. Hales vs. Jno. W. Harper.

Wednesday—W. T. Dortch, Admr., vs. W. T. Bannerman, et al; N. F. Parker vs. Walter G. MacRae, sheriff.

Thursday—Zillah Fowler vs. Jno. J. Fowler; J. G. Wright & Son vs. Zillah Fowler; Edward Moseley, by his guardian, vs. M. G. Chadwick.

Friday—J. Davis, Receiver, vs. Butters Lumber Co.; Meta H. Hullen vs. City of Wilmington; W. E. Worth vs. City of Wilmington; W. E. Worth vs. L. B. Pennington; H. L. Peterson vs. City of Wilmington; George Hilton vs. Mattie Hilton; Gilbert L. Miles vs. Geo. E. Pope.

Saturday—City of Wilmington vs. N. Jacobi; Roberts & Hoge vs. J. T. Bland; Navassa Guano Co. vs. McNair & Pearsall; J. D. Sidbury vs. W. T. Bannermann, administrator.

SECOND WEEK

Monday—J. C. Shepard, Jr., vs. Atlantic Coast Line R R. Company, of South Carolina; W. B. Shepard vs. A. C. L. R. R. Co., of South Carolina; J. H. Sloan vs. J. L. Hines.

Tuesday—City of Wilmington vs. J. D. Bellamy.

Wednesday—J. E. Taylor vs. W. H. Howe; R. W. Smith vs. Inter-State Telephone and Telegraph Co.; I. J. Sternberger vs. I. Shrier and wife.

Thursday—W. E. Worth & Co. vs. T. J. Ferguson & Co.; W. A. Farriss vs. T. J. Ferguson & Co; J. L. Boatwright vs. T. J. Ferguson & Co.; S. W. Sanders vs. T. J. Ferguson & Co.; Giles Cannon vs. T. J. Ferguson & Co.; B. F. Penny vs. W., C. & A. R. R.; Timothy Donlan vs. American Bonding and Trust Co.

Friday—H. E. Bonitz vs. Frank T. Mills.

Saturday—National Cash Register Co. vs. Lucy J. Farriss.

There are twenty seven cases on the summons docket and eighty five on the motion docket.

The following rule was made and agreed to by the bar: "That all cases that are not reached on the day upon which they are set upon the calendar, that they stand continued until the next term of the court, and that the order adopted by the bar at the last meeting be and the same is hereby repealed."

LADIES' HANDICAP TOURNAMENT.

Mrs. E. C. Holt and Mrs. C. W. Bidgood Made Best Scores Yesterday.

The ladies' handicap tournament of the Cape Fear Golf Club was held yesterday afternoon at the club links at Hilton and the contest was very interesting. The lowest net score was made by Mrs. E. C. Holt, which was 90, less her handicap allowance, 6, leaving 84. The lowest gross score was made by Mrs. C. W. Bidgood, 85. Nine holes were played.

The scores were as follows:

Mrs. Holt	12	12	12	9	8	9	6	9	13—90
Mrs. Bidgood	9	11	11	9	8	12	8	9	10—85

The scores of all the players were as follows:

	Gross.	Handicap Allow'ce.	Net.
Mrs. Holt,	90	6	84
Mrs. Bidgood,	85		
Mrs. Lucas,	121	18	103
Miss Randolph,	114	10	104
Miss Boatwright,	126	10	116
Mrs. McMillan,	135	18	117
Mrs. Broadnax,	155	18	137

Tea was served in the club house after the tournament. The next ladies' tournament will be held on the second or third Saturday in February.

GREENSBORO OPERA HOUSE

Leased by Mr. S. A. Schloss, of This City, Beginning June 1st, 1901.

The Greensboro *Telegram* of yesterday says:

"Mayor Taylor to-day closed a trade with Mr. S. A. Schloss, of Wilmington, for the Opera House for two years from June 1st, 1901, he to take charge of it as soon as it is ready for use. The trade is subject to the approval of the Aldermen at their meeting to-night.

"Mr. Schloss is a successful manager, having been in the business for years. He is now, and has been for a long time, manager of the Wilmington Opera House. He has put upon the boards there some of the best plays and players of the country, and as good as has ever been to this State. It is safe to say that he will give the Greensboro people as good as can be brought to this section."

Schubert Hall Recital.

The usual Saturday afternoon piano recital at Schubert Hall was given yesterday at 4:30 o'clock, during the progress of which the following programme was admirably rendered:

"Leola Waltz," (Krogman) by Miss Ethel May Solomon, a pupil of Miss Marcella Shrier.

"Sehnsucht," (Jungman) by Miss Katie Kelly, a pupil of Mrs. M. L. Chasten.

"Valse," (Leybach) by Miss Clarie Lathrop, a pupil of Miss Carrie May VonGlahn.

"Sonatina Op. 55, No. 1," (Kuhlau) (Allegro, Vivace) by Miss Ray Solomon, a pupil of Mr. James C. Craft.

"Congratulations," (Behr) by Miss Bessie Latimer, a pupil of Miss Fannie Corbett.

"En Courant," (Godard) by Miss Elizabeth D. Burtt, a pupil of Miss Cannie Chasten.

— Notice is given in another column of this issue that the Wilmington Homestead and Loan Association will open its nineteenth series on Saturday, January the 19th. Those desirous of securing stock in the new series should apply to Mr. C. C. Brown, secretary and treasurer.

REV. DR. J. M. WELLS

Will Preach To-day to Congregation of First Presbyterian Church.

HE MAY ACCEPT THE CALL

Recently Tendered Him by That Congregation—Has Been in the Ministry Since 1893—An Earnest and Eloquent Divine.

The Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, who was recently called to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church of this city, to succeed the Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, who resigned about two years to accept a call to the pulpit of Warren Memorial Church, Louisville, Ky., arrived in the city last evening via the A. C. L. railroad and will preach his first sermon to the congregation this morning at 11 o'clock and again this evening at 7.30 o'clock. It is expected that within a short time Dr. Wells will announce his intention as to accepting or rejecting the call and it is sincerely hoped by all that the answer will be in the affirmative.

He was met at the station last evening by Mr. B. G. Worth, Col. Jno. D. Taylor, Mr. W. M. Cumming, Mr. C. W. Worth, Mr. W. A. Riach, Mr. Jno. McLaurin, Capt. H. R. Savage, Rev. A. D. McClure and others, and will be the guest while in the city of Mr. B. G. Worth. He will likely not return to his home at Staunton before the middle of this week.

Rev. Dr. Wells was born in Hinds county, Miss., and is about 32 years of age. He received his preparatory education in the schools of his county and later entered the Southwestern Presbyterian University, of Clarksville, Tenn., from which institution he graduated comparatively young with the degree of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts. Soon after his graduation he engaged in business for a short while in Kansas City, Mo., but having been impressed with a call to the ministry he soon left his commercial pursuits and studied theology at the Union Theological Seminary, of Richmond, Va. His career at the Seminary was marked by close application to study and research and a very high appreciation of him by faculty and student body. During his vacations he supplied a Presbyterian church at Alexandria, Va., and upon the completion of his course and admission to Presbytery he received a call to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church at Buena Vista, Va., and served there with splendid ability for three years. Since the year 1896 he has been pastor of the Second Presbyterian church at Staunton, Va., and there are ties which bind himself and family so closely to the congregation there, that it will be hard for him to resign that charge to come to Wilmington. Dr. Wells received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the Northwestern University, of Bloomington, Ill., in 1899. He has been a close student since his boyhood and is a preacher of eloquence, consecration and power.

The First church would feel itself fortunate should he decide to make announcement of his acceptance of the call during his visit to the city.

Dr. Wells is a married man and has three interesting little children.

Fast Passenger Service.

The fast through trains which the Atlantic Coast Line, Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway will operate this season from New York to Florida to accommodate the Winter tourists, will leave New York to morrow. The service on these lines will be the most elaborate and the competition the greatest ever known before in the South.

The "New York and Florida "Special" on the A. C. L. will leave New York on its first trip south at 2.25 o'clock P. M. to-morrow.

— Archie Marine and a boy by the name of Williams engaged in an affray at Fourth and Church streets last night, in which Marine was struck on the head with a stone, which inflicted a gash penetrating to the skull about two inches long. Marine was taken to the hospital where his wounds were dressed by Dr. Harper, the city physician, and Williams was locked up at the police station for a hearing before the Mayor to-morrow morning.

— Rev. J. W. Cobb, formerly with the North Carolina *Baptist* at Fayetteville, will succeed Mr. J. C. Caddell as travelling representative of the *Biblical Recorder*.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

New Stock.

On Saturday, January 19th, the Wilmington Homestead and Loan Association will open its 19 h Series. Those desirous of securing stock in this New series should apply for the same early. As an investment nothing is safer. C. C BROWN,
jan 13 1w Secretary and Treasurer.

Market Notice.

The Shad Benches at Front street market will be rented at public auction Wednesday, Jan. 16, at 12 o'clock M. H. P. WEST,
jan 13 1t Chm'n Market Committee.

Adjourned Meeting

Of the lot owners of Oakdale Cemetery will be held at the Company's office Monday evening, January 14, at 8 o'clock.

B. J. JONES, Secretary and Treasurer.
January 12, 1901. jan 13 1t

We Are Closing Out
Our Winter Underwear At Cost.

NOW'S THE TIME TO SAVE MONEY.
We are also offering Suits to Order at big values. If you are in need it will pay you to look over our stock of English, French and Scotch Worsteds, Thibets, Vicunas and Cassimeres. As for fit, finish and Trimmings, we have no superiors, and when we turn out a garment it always pleases. Collars, Cuffs, Handkerchiefs, and everything in the way of FURNISHING GOODS.

M. H. CURRAN,
107 Princess Street.
jan 13 tf

A Woman Loves

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We wish to thank all the agents concerned who showed us courtesies pending the settlement.

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We can't bake your cake, but can furnish the best of everything to go in it.

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Full line of Heavy Groceries.

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SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 13.

THEN AND NOW.

When the Presidential campaign was in progress Mr. McKinley's Philippine Commission in a report on the conditions in the islands declared that if McKinley was re-elected the insurgents would recognize the hopelessness of continuing the struggle, would lay down their arms and that we would have peace within sixty days. That declaration was seized by the campaign orators and it was rung from a thousand platforms and Republican organs as authority that was beyond doubt, the foundation for which was beyond question. This declaration was supported by quotations from military reports and soldiers' letters, all predicting the speedy collapse of the "insurrection" in the event of McKinley's election, and thousands of voters who did not endorse the Philippine war policy voted for McKinley because they believed that his election would be the speediest way to the restoration of peace in those islands, after which the question of permanent occupation could be discussed and settled. They acted on the principle that "it wasn't a good time to swap horses while crossing a stream."

There isn't a Republican politician from McKinley and Hanna down to the smallest stumper and machine follower who didn't tacitly or openly endorse these predictions, but the sixty days are up and how much nearer are we to their verification than we were then? There has really been more fighting since the election than there was in the same time before it, and if there has been any indication of a disposition on the part of the "insurgents" to lay down their arms and acknowledge allegiance to this Government it has not become apparent, but we have the assurances of Gen. MacArthur that 65,000, or 70,000 men will be necessary for a long time yet to establish the authority of this Government and establish law and order.

There is no more talk about ending the war in sixty days, nor in twice sixty. That fake answered its purpose, is no longer useful, and hence the object of it having been accomplished they practically confess the fraud and some of them are now as candid in admitting the difficulty of subduing those "semi-savages" as they were loud in proclaiming the speedy collapse of the "insurrection." Having accomplished their purpose, and elected McKinley they now want a big army to carry out the McKinley scheme of expansion and are pleading the necessities in the Philippines, (where the trouble was giving to be over in sixty days) as an argument for a big army. They show no reluctance now in admitting that they can't tell when it will be. Ignoring the fact that they herald their own duplicity by endorsing predictions which they knew to be unfounded, or by tactly conniving at them, some of them from their places in the U. S. Senate confess that they didn't believe these predictions, and don't believe now that the end of the trouble in these island is in sight. In the debate on the Army Reorganization bill several days ago, Senator Sewell, of New Jersey, said:

"The Senator from Georgia will remember that when this matter was up for discussion a year ago, I said, to the astonishment of every one, that it would take 50,000 or 60,000 men several years in the Philippines. Nobody believed it at that time, but it has turned out to be correct, and it will continue to be so."

It was Admiral Dewey's opinion at one time that 5,000 men would be enough to meet all the requirements of the situation, but that was before the grab scheme had been developed. It would have been enough if the grab scheme had not been attempted. A year ago Senator Sewell, who is a member of the Senate Military Committee, thought 50,000 or 60,000 men would be needed, without fixing any time limit. It will continue to be so, he says, which interpreted may mean two, ten or twenty years. Senator Sewell doesn't mind posing as a prophet now, although he didn't air his prophesy much when that sixty-day prophesy of the Taft commission was being so conspicuously circulated and widely used. Now that there is no election pending he has no hesitation in telling the Senate and the country what he thought about it then, and posing as a prophet who hasn't been fooled.

But Senator Sewell isn't alone. There are others, others who do not hesitate to virtually admit that they believed the sixty-day prediction a fake. Senator Carter, of Montana, is the gentleman who a year ago or more frankly declared that there was "neither sentiment nor religion" in the grab business, but simply a question, "would it pay?" If it would pay they would hold on, and if they concluded that it wouldn't pay they would pull out. But he believed it would pay. He is now free to confess that we have a large-sized job on hand, and thus replied to some questions by Senator Bacon:

"By the concurrent testimony of all the officers having to do with the situation, at least 60,000 men will be required to maintain this police system.

"Mr. Bacon—How long?

"Mr. Carter—That remains to be seen.

"Mr. Bacon—In the opinion of the Secretary, how long?

"Mr. Carter—I have not sufficient knowledge upon which to base an opinion that would be worthy of any sort of reliance. I know as much about it probably as the Senator from Georgia, and no more.

"Mr. Bacon—The Senator recognizes, I presume, that it will be for an indefinite period. I entertain a similar opinion.

"Mr. Carter—I think the word 'indefinite' would fit very well.

There may be a pretty wide period of time between sixty days and "indefinitely," but that is as near it as Senator Carter is willing to go while he is pleading for that big "police" force, which is about as much of a fraud as that sixty day prediction was. If they want police they ought to say so and not ask for an army of 100,000 soldiers. They propose, however, to arm these "police" with guns, not clubs.

Senator Hawley is one of the Senatorial fighters who believes in walloping those little brown chaps into humble submission, before he would consent to let Uncle Sam swap any remarks with them on the peace question. He also connived at the sixty day fake, as he virtually confesses in the following. He is now free to admit that we have a job on hand that we cannot finish up in five or ten years. Speaking of letters he has received from soldiers in the islands, he said:

"They have no idea that it will be anything less than the greatest cruelty to withdraw from the islands or to reduce the force to 20,000 or anything of that sort. Those people are the descendants of those who for 300 years have been trampled upon and robbed, and whose gospel it is to hate their ruler. They are constitutionally enemies of the man who is over them, for whatever reason. They cannot be cured in a week, in a month, in a year, in five or ten years."

This means that it cannot be finished up as he thinks it ought to be on the McKinley plan. As there is nothing more to be gained by deception this Senator and his colleagues quoted frankly confess that the McKinley administration has a large sized job on its hands in the Philippines, and no sixty days business.

THE CONGRESSIONAL APPORTIONMENT.

The Burleigh Congressional Apportionment bill, which passed the House of Representatives last week, having passed the Senate without change, the representation for the different States will, after March 5, 1903, stand as follows:

Alabama	9
Arkansas	7
California	8
Colorado	3
Connecticut	5
Delaware	1
Florida	3
Georgia	11
Idaho	1
Illinois	25
Indiana	13
Iowa	11
Kansas	8
Kentucky	11
Louisiana	7
Maine	4
Maryland	6
Massachusetts	14
Michigan	12
Minnesota	9
Mississippi	8
Missouri	16
Montana	1
Nebraska	6
Nevada	1
New Hampshire	2
New Jersey	10
New York	37
North Carolina	10
North Dakota	2
Ohio	21
Oregon	2
Pennsylvania	32
Rhode Island	2
South Carolina	7
South Dakota	2
Tennessee	10
Texas	16
Utah	1
Vermont	2
Virginia	10
Washington	3
West Virginia	5
Wisconsin	11
Wyoming	1

This gives a membership of 386 against 357, as at present, an increase of 29. Under this bill none of the States lose any representation, while the following gain: New York, Illinois and Texas, three each; New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Minnesota, two each; Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, North Dakota, Washington, West Virginia and Wisconsin, one each. The Crumpacker bill providing for a reduction of representation in the South in proportion to the number of negroes disfranchised got its quietus in the House by a vote of 136 against to 94 for it.

According to official reports the losses to our troops in the Philippines since August 6, 1898, were 692 killed, 439 died of wounds and accidents, 2,120 died of disease; total deaths, 3,251; wounded 2,547. Grand total 5,789. The McKinley brand of expansion comes high, not counting the dollars.

His Life Was Saved.

Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, which ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now I am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvellous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Troubles. Regular sizes 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles 10c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. Every bottle guaranteed. †

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AN EXAMPLE FOR ALL

The sermon by Cardinal Gibbons in Baltimore, last Sunday, from which we made an extract a few days ago, has attracted much attention and been the subject of much comment by the press. The anti-grab papers laud his utterances as they deserve, while the grab papers which mentioned the sermon spoke respectfully of it and of the "amiable," "sweet tempered" speaker, who rebukes them so kindly, but nevertheless so keenly and forcibly. The Philadelphia *Press*, deep-dyed expansionist, commends the sermon for its conservative tone, while the Philadelphia *Times* thus comments on it:

"Cardinal Gibbons' courageous denunciation of the military tendency of the age is a most timely one. It is to the lasting discredit of the American people that such an utterance should have been necessary. The history of the century just closed, which has been an almost unbroken record of costly and bloody conflicts, the spectacle of Europe turned into an armed camp with 14,000,000 of its healthiest, most vigorous men withdrawn from the productive walks of life to be supported by the exacting system of taxation on the rest should have served both as a text and sermon upon the injustice and costliness of war to all who possess the seeing eye, the hearing ear and the power of reflection."

"Unfortunately the so-called civilized and Christian world seems to have gone war mad. The cost of the maintenance of great armies and the destruction inflicted by great wars have taught the present generation no lesson, if the present military craze can be accepted as a true index of public sentiment. It was quite time that one preacher of Christianity of recognized ability and world-wide influence should insist that Christian nations at the dawn of the twentieth century should begin to practice a little the peaceful tenets the Founder of Christianity taught. Cardinal Gibbons has set an example that all Christian clergymen ought to follow. Christ taught his followers to propagate Christianity by quite other agencies than the sword, and Cardinal Gibbons has rendered humanity a service in his denunciation of the war spirit of the present age."

As the *Times* truly says he has "set an example that all Christian clergymen should follow," for who can more appropriately rebuke and attempt to stay this fell spirit of grab and butchery of the weak, under the false pretence of spreading civilization and Christianity, than the ministers of the Prince of Peace and the God of Righteousness.

THE GROUT BILL

The Grout Anti-Oleomargarine bill is encountering so much opposition that it will in all probability be very much modified before it gets through the Senate. Speaking of the progress made in the Senate Committee on Agriculture, which is now giving the friends and the opponents of that measure a hearing, the Washington correspondent of the New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin*, under date of the 8th inst., says:

"Some hard blows were struck today in the Senate Committee on Agriculture at the bill imposing a tax of ten cents per pound upon oleomargarine when colored. Senator Dolliver, of Iowa, who was appointed to the vacancy on the committee as a friend of the dairymen, presided over the hearing and tried to put some puzzling questions to the witnesses who appeared against the bill, but he got at least all the facts which he wanted from its opponents. One of the strongest arguments was made by Mr. Person, of the firm of Ammon & Person, of Jersey City. He was preceded by several representatives of the cotton seed oil industry in the South, who pointed out that the destruction of the oleomargarine business would mean a serious loss to them. About 200,000 barrels of refined cotton seed oil, it was declared, are used annually in making oleomargarine and the demand is increasing."

Under the false pretence of protecting the butter-makers of the country from competition of fraudelent and unwholesome compounds this bill really strikes at the poor who cannot afford to buy high-priced butter, at the many people to whom the oleomargerine industry gives employment, and at the cotton seed oil industry of the South which supplies such a large amount of the material which is used in the manufacture of oleomargarine. It is simply a scheme to give the butter dealers of the country absolute control of the market at the expense of the people and of other industries which are as much entitled to live and be protected as their business is.

The donations last year by wealthy men to schools, libraries, &c., foot up $62,000,000, $17,000,000 less than in 1899 when they amounted to $79,000,000.

CURRENT COMMENT.

— Of Florida's Gubernatorial family only one was born in the State. Who dare accuse this people of narrow proscription or of inability to appreciate worth wherever found in the ranks of Democracy? If all are sons of the South but one, let us not forget that the one is Governor. —*Jacksonville Times-Union and Citizen, Dem.*

— Senator Wellington complains that the government has no visible policy with regard to the Philippines. It appears to us that the policy of the government with regard to the Philippines is to let Mr. McKinley do what he pleases, as long as he pleases, whether anybody else is pleased or not.—*Norfolk, Landmark, Dem.*

— It is estimated that the Senate Finance Committee is delaying action on the House Tax Reduction bill until the fate of the ship Subsidy bill and of other measures involving heavy additional Federal expediture shall have been determined. It is argued that the cut in the Revenue should be adjusted to the measure of probable expenditure. If tax reduction shall fail the taxpayers will understand the reason.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

Grand Old Men

Some men seem to defy old age. They walk erect. Their eyes are bright. Their laugh is hearty. They are men of to-day—not men of yesterday. They are also men who have kept themselves in good physical condition in the past. As we grow older waste matter accumulates in the system. The body cannot throw it off without assistance. So, little by little the machinery of the body is clogged, vitality is lowered, and enjoyment of life ceases. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, cannot make old men young, but it does make them strong and healthy, by removing the waste accumulations, by increasing the blood supply, by strengthening the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition, and thus increasing the assimilative and nutritive powers. "Golden Medical Discovery" makes grand old men.

"I suffered for six years with constipation and indigestion, during which time I employed several physicians, but they could not reach my case," writes Mr. C. Popplewell, of Eureka Springs, Carroll Co., Ark. "I felt that there was no help for me, could not retain food on my stomach; had vertigo and would fall helpless to the floor. I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and little 'Pellets.' I am now in good health for one of my age—60 years. I owe it all to Dr. Pierce's medicines."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets greatly benefit old men by keeping the bowels in activity.

THE TWO WORDS.

One day a harsh word, rashly said,
Upon an evil journey sped,
And, like a sharp and cruel dart,
It pierced a fond and loving heart;
It turned a friend into a foe,
And everywhere brought pain and woe.

A kind word followed it one day,
Flew swiftly on its blessed way;
It healed the wound, it soothed the pain,
And friends of old were friends again;
It made the hate and anger cease,
And everywhere brought joy and peace.

But yet the harsh word left a trace
The kind word could not quite efface;
And though the heart its love regained,
It bore a scar that long remained;
Friends could forgive, but not forget,
Or lose the sense of keen regret.

O if we would but learn to know
How swift and sure words can go,
How would we weigh with utmost care
Each thought before it sought the air,
And only speak the words that move
Like white-winged messengers of love!
—*Keystone.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Lumberton *Robesonian*: Mr. Stephen Brison, who lives with his son near Shaw's mill, in Bladen county, is 86 years old, is the father of 18 children, has 108 grandchildren and 64 great-grandchildren.

— Asheville *Citizen*: Thomas N. Stevens, of Buena Vista, is in luck. Thursday he brought to the *Citizen* office a section of mica three inches square and one inch thick, which he plowed up in his field, and which is considered to be a remarkably large sample to be found so near the surface, and an excellent indication that the deposit located at the usual depth will pan out mica blocks of unusual size. As the value of mica depends very largely on its size, Mr. Stevens is happy. His land also contains gold and iron.

— Sanford *Express*: Since the holiday season is over Northern tourists are arriving at Southern Pines and Pinehurst by nearly every train. The large new hotel—The Carolina—at Pinehurst is now open and is rapidly filling with guests. This promises to be the most successful season in the history of that popular resort. —— Mr. Henry Petty, of near Cameron, and one of the State's largest fruit growers, was awarded a premium by a seed concern of Florida for having raised the largest watermelon grown in this State last year. The melon weighed 87 pounds. Mr. Petty's fruit farm now covers about 200 acres.

— Durham *Herald*: There is a negro Jew in the city—probably the only one that has ever been in Durham. His name is Samuel Valskovitz, and he hails from Africa. Valskovitz, speaks, it is said, the pure Hebrew language and in all including the Yiddish and Patois of the Hebrews, can speak ten languages. He says that he is a Jew by religion, was taught that religion, from infancy, and that he and his people have spoken the Hebrew language for generations. He speaks English very poorly, but enough to carry on a convervation. This negro Jew says that for ten years he has been on a boat than ran from Liverpool to this couutry. Finally he left the boat at Norfolk and decided to live in the United States. In Raleigh he received aid and came on here, where he received some help. He says he is going to locate in Greensboro, where he intends to go to work and live the remainder of his life. Valskovitz is quite an attraction, and especially so among the Hebrews of the city.

— Kinston *Free Press*: We learn that a little colored child, aged three years, was burned to death at Hookerton Tuesday evening. The child's father, Sam Dixon, and its mother were two or three hundred yards from the house feeding hogs. When the mother returned she found the child sitting in a corner with its clothes all burned off, and its flesh in places was baked, causing the skin to peel off. The child lived only a few hours. —— Last Tuesday two little colored children were fighting at their home on Mr. W. L. Kennedy's place, near Falling Creek. Susan Pool, an aunt of one of the children, tried to stop the fight and in the excitement of the moment, struck her niece, Pearl Pool, on the head with an iron fire poker. The girl was in an unconscious condition most of the time after she was hurt. Her parents, however, did not think the case serious until yesterday evening, when they summoned Dr. Ray Pollock. It was too late then to do any good as the child died within a minute or two after the doctor reached the house.

No Right to Ugliness.

The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sick and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney troubles, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate the stomach, liver and kidneys, and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin and rich complexion. It will make a good looking, charming woman of a run-down invalid. Only 50 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

TWINKLINGS.

— "Mrs. Jinks is fifty and she calls herself middle-aged." "Well, may be she expects to live to be 100." —*Chicago Record.*

— Mrs. Sniffwell—"Why, Bridget, you have been eating onions!" Bridget—"Shure, mum, you're a moind reader."—*Cigarette.*

— Business on a Large Scale: Hewett—Gruet says that he is doing a big business in Chicago. Jewett—"He is; he sells women's shoes."—*Town Topics.*

— "The fact is," said the fat man, "I married because I was lonely as much as for any other reason. To put it tersely, I married for sympathy." "Well," said the lean man, "you have mine."—*Stray Stories.*

— De. Mittened—"The first time I called on Miss Tartleigh she gave me her photograph." Le Fittened—"How jolly!" De Mittened—"But the last time I called she gave me her negative."—*Town Topics.*

— "I am proud to say that I did not spend $100 to secure my election," said the statesman. "Yes," returned Senator Sorghum, "I meant to congratulate you before this. You certainly got a bargain."—*Washington Star.*

— "I suppose you know the type of man who is always looking for trouble," remarked the philosopher. "No," answered Col. Stillwell, "you see, I am from Kentucky. Down where I live nobody has to look for trouble."—*Washington Star.*

— Mr. Simpkins—"Give me a kiss, Bobby, and run up and tell your sister Jenny I have brought her a box of chocolate." Bobby—"Oh! when Dr. Dashing calls he always gives the sweets to me and the kiss to Jenny." —*Tit-Bits.*

— Young Lady—"Give me one yard of—why! haven't I seen you before?" Shop Assistant—Oh! Maude, can you have forgotten me? I saved your life at the seaside last Summer." Young Lady (warmly)—"Why, of course you did! You may give me two yards of this ribbon, please."—*Tit-Bits.*

— Miss Pertie Goodwin—"So youe've asked papa? It wasn't such a terrible ordeal, was, it? You didn't need to get excited, you know. All you had to do was to keep perfectly cool." The Young Man—"Cool? I was so cool you could have heard my teeth chatter!" —*Chicago Tribune.*

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Announcement.

To accommodate those who are partial to the use of anatomizers in applying liquids into the nasal passages for *catarrhal troubles*, the proprietors prepare Ely's Liquid Cream Balm. Price including the spraying tube is 75 cents. Druggists or by mail. The liquid embodies the medicinal properties of the solid preparation. Cream Balm is quickly absorbed by the membrane and does not dry up the secretions but changes them to a natural and healthy character. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., N. Y. †

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SUNDAY SERVICES.

Rev. Dr. Morton will hold services at Delgado at 3.30 to day.

St. James' Church—Morning service at 11 A. M.; evening service at 5 P. M.; Sunday school, 3.45 P. M.

St. Thomas' Church—First mass, 7 A. M.; high mass and sermón, 10.30 A. M.; vespers and sermon, 7.45 P. M.

Services at Seamen's Bethel this afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock, conducted by Dr. George C. Worth. The public invited.

Christian Science service at the Masonic Temple, room No. 10, this morning at 11.15 o'clock. Subject of Bible lesson, "Life."

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, Rev. Dr. A. G. Voigt pastor. German services to day at 11 A. M.; English services at 7.30 P. M. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M.

Services in St. John's Church to day (First Sunday after Epiphany) by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael, at 7.45 and 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M. Public cordially invited.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, North Fourth street above Bladen street, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Morning service only at 11 o'clock. Sunday school at 9.45 A. M. All seats free and every person welcome.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner Fourth and Orange streets: Morning prayer and sermon at 11 A. M., Rt. Rev. Bishop A. A. Watson, officiating. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Seats free at all services.

First Baptist Church, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell D. D. pastor: 11 A. M., "They have taken away my Lord" 7:30 P. M. "God's Child the Criminal," with special application to the proposed State Reform school.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— Death is the total eclipse of all life's hopes to those who have no hope in Jesus.

— In my retired and solitary imaginings, I remember that I am not alone.—*Sir Thomas Browne*

— Were Jesus to find six preachers at one meeting, Sunday after Sunday, would he say, "The harvest is great and the laborers are few?" He might say, "Willing hands are scarce."

— The fittest and most practicable place for the conquest of anger, selfishness, impatience is a man's own home. Be a saint there; it does not matter so much what you are elsewhere.—*Mozoondar.*

— He only is advancing in life whose heart is getting softer, whose blood warmer, whose brain quicker, whose spirit is entering into living peace. And the true lords or kings of the earth—they and they only.—*Ruskin.*

— The men who deny the existence of sin still go on locking their doors and taking receipts. The aim of conduct, as Jesus conceived it, is not abstract saintliness, but full, rich and useful life. We are not here to spend our efforts in cultivating and nursing some deep, hidden thing.

— He who cannot pass blamelessly through the common conditions of our life, taking them as they are, and evading none of them, is no saint of God and no savior of men. It is not to be above any human necessity, but to meet it fully and purely, that tests spiritual power.—*John Hamilton Thom*

CATARRH CAUSES CONSUMPTION.

VICE PRESIDENT ROXA TYLER, OF CHICAGO, ILL.

Roxa Tyler, Vice President of the Illinois Woman's Alliance, speaks in high praise of Pe-ru-na to restore tired nerves and weak body. In a letter written to Dr. Hartman from 910 East 60th street, Chicago, Ill., she says the following:

"During the past year I gradually lost flesh and strength until I was unable to perform my work properly. I tried different remedies, and finally Pe-ru-na was suggested to me. It gave me new life and restored my strength. I cannot speak too highly of it."

Mrs. Arthur L. Hamilton, wife of Colonel Hamilton, of the Seventh Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and whose residence is at 230 Goodale St., Columbus, Ohio, writes the following about Pe-ru-na, Dr. Hartman's scientific remedy for catarrh: "I can bear testimony as to the merits of your remedy, Pe-ru-na. I have been taking the same for some time, and am enjoying better health than I have for some years. I attribute the change to Pe-ru-na, and recommend Pe-ru-na to every woman, believing it to be especially beneficial to them."

Mrs. Col. Hamilton.

Catarrh of the lungs is, ordinarily, known as consumption; also called tuberculosis. In these cases the catarrh has usually found its way into the lungs by the gradual extension of the disease from the throat through the bronchial tubes. Consumption is the natural termination of all cases of neglected chronic catarrh. Every one who is afflicted with chronic catarrh is liable to be attacked with consumption at any time. In the first stages of the disease Pe-ru-na is a sure cure; in the later stages of the disease Pe-ru-na can be relied upon to produce great benefit, and in a large per cent. of cases produce a permanent cure. All those afflicted with this dread disease should begin at once treatment with Pe-ru-na.

Mrs. H. A. Tyner, Four Oaks, N. C., says: "In January 1898, my daughter was taken sick with pain in her chest and right shoulder blade. A cough soon developed, which neither of our resident physicians seemed able to remove. She had every symptom of consumption — suppression of menses, night sweats and great emaciation. She was so low the April following that none of our neighbors thought she could live but a few months. In May, Mr. C. R. Adams, of this place, who had taken Pe-ru-na, told me if anything would help her Pe-ru-na would. Her improvement was very rapid during the third bottle. I feel that Pe-ru-na saved her life. My daughter's name is Mrs. L. Keene."

Mrs. L. Keene.

A slight cough, which, without a vestige of doubt, would soon disappear with the use of Pe-ru-na, becomes chronic bronchitis, which requires a persistent use of Pe-ru-na for some time. I see a great many cases of consumption each year due directly to a neglect of coughs, colds, etc., which, if Pe-ru-na had been kept in the house and used according to directions, would have been prevented.

Send to the Pe-ru-na Medicine Company, Columbus, O., for Dr. Hartman's latest free book on chronic catarrh, la grippe, consumption, coughs, colds, etc

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.)

STAR OFFICE, January 12.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing

ROSIN—Market steady at $1.30 per bbl for strained and $1.25 for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.30 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market quiet at $1.30 per barrel for hard, $2.30 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 51@50½c; rosin firm at $1.20@1.25; tar firm at $1.25; crude turpentine steady at $1.60@2.90.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	34
Rosin	529
Tar	170
Crude turpentine	45

Receipts same day last year.—41 casks spirits turpentine, 680 bbls rosin, 276 bbls tar, 45 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9½c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7 1-16	cts. ₱ lb
Good ordinary	8 7 16	" "
Low middling	9 1-16	" "
Middling	9¼	" "
Good middling	9 13-16	" "

Same day last year middling steady at 7¼c.

Receipts—397 bales; same day last year, 770.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 65c. Extra prime, 70c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 75c. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c.

CORN—Firm, 58 to 60 cents per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 11 to 12½c per pound; shoulders, 8 to 9c; sides, 8 to 9c.

EGGS—Firm at 15 cents per dozen.

CHICKENS—Very dull. Grown, 22½@25 cents; springs, 12½@17 cts.

TURKEYS—Live, dull at 8 to 9c; dressed, 10 to 11c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25 cents.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6¼ cents per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—firm at 50c.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Money on call nominal. Prime mercantile paper 4@5 per cent. Sterling exchange nominal but strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487@487½ for demand and 483¼@483¾ for sixty days. Posted rates were 484 and 488. Commercial bills 482½@483. Silver certificates 64¼@65¼. Bar silver 63¼. Mexican dollars 49¼. Government bonds steady. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds steady. U. S. refunding 3's reg'd, 105¾; U. S. refund'g 2's, coupon, 105¾; U. S. 3's, reg'd, —; U.S. 3's, reg'd, 109½; do. coupon, 110; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 137½; do. coupon, 137½; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 114; do. coupon, 114; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 112; do. coupon, 112; Southern R'y 5's 112½. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 93¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 41; Manhattan L 121¾; N. Y. Central 145⅞; Reading 35¼; do. 1st pref'd 73¾; St. Paul, 154; do. pref'd, 189¾; Southern Railway 31; pref'd 72½; American Tobacco, 114¾; do. pref'd 140; People's Gas 103; Sugar 138½; do. pref'd 118; T. C. & Iron 55¼; U. S. Leather 13; do. preferred 75¾; Western Union 86⅝. Standard Oil 802@807.

BALTIMORE, January 12.—Seaboard Air Lane, common, 10@10½; do. preferred 26. Bonds—4's 70.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 12.—Spirits turpentine quoted firm; sales — casks. Rosin unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Jan. 12.—Spirits turpentine firm at 36c; sales 381 casks; receipts 125 casks; exports 293 casks. Rosin firm; sales 5,813 barrels; receipts 5,445 barrels; exports 8,980 barrels. A, B, C, D, $1 25; E, $1 35; F, $1 45; G, $1 50; H, $1 55; I, $1 60; K, $1 70, M, $2 00; N, $2 05; W G, $2 10; W W, $2 25.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—The cotton market opened steady, with prices unchanged to three points higher, after which changes were confined to a bare point or so with speculation restricted to week end settlements as a general thing. The shorts were made extremely timid and cautious by much better English cables than expected and a small port movement. Still later a steady feeling spread throughout the trade as the result of forecasts for a waning movement and reports that spot markets were hardening on increased demand from the export element. The bull faction was quite opposed to the adoption of aggressive methods in the face of an over-Sunday adjournment and absence of investment speculation, though fully satisfied as to the real strength of the market in its legitimate phases. The return of the current month delivery to the position of leading strength destroyed the effect of rumors that large lines of cotton were ready for shipment to New York, due here before delivery day. Clearances for export were large and gave no sign of diminishing in the immediate future. On every sign of a set-back buying for New Orleans account became conspicuous this morning. The market closed quiet with prices net unchanged to three points higher. The E. T. Nelson & Company crop estimate was 10,363,371 bales or 150,000 more than expected. The figures did not appear till after the close.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 10¼c.

Cotton futures market closed quiet: January 9.79, February 9.54, March 9 51, April 9 46, May 9.46, June 9.43, July 9.40, August 9.10, September 8.60, October 8.36.

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands 10¼c; middling gulf 10¼c; sales — bales.

Net receipts 220 bales; gross receipts 3,017 bales; exports to the Continent 2,681 bales; exports to France 50 bales; stock 94,492 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 18,647 bales; exports to Great Britain 9,234 bales; exports to France 1,150 bales; exports to the Continent 16,798 bales; stock 853,055 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 18,647 bales; exports to Great Britain 9,234 bales; exports to France 1,150 bales; exports to the Continent 16,798 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 4,821,360 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,822,419 bales; exports to France 425,468 bales; exports to the Continent 1,310,891 bales.

January 12.—Galveston, quiet at 9½c, net receipts 6,297 bales; Norfolk, quiet at 9½c, net receipts 691 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 10½c, net receipts — bales; Boston, dull at 10½c, net receipts 884 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9½c, net receipts 297 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 10½c, net receipts 60 bales; Savannah, quiet at 9½c, net receipts 3,286 bales; New Orleans, steady at 9½c, net receipts 4,509 bales; Mobile, steady at 9¾, net receipts 38 bales; Memphis, steady at 9½, net receipts 972 bales; Augusta, steady at 9 13-16c, net receipts 995 bales; Charleston, quiet at 9½c, net receipts 303 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 12.—Flour was slow and more or less nominal at old prices. Winter patents $3 70@3 95; do. straights $3 45@3 60; do. extras $2 50@2 90; do. low grades $2 45@2 60; Minnesota patents $4 10@4 35; bakers' $3 00@3 35. Wheat—Spot dull; No. 2 81½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 red 79½c at elevator. Options opened steady on little demand from shorts, but were soon weakened by scattered long selling, easy cables and predictions of bearish statistics on Monday. The market finally rallied a trifle on covering and closed steady at a partial ½c net decline. Sales included: No. 2 red January 81¼c; March 81 13 16c, closed 82c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 48½c at elevator and 47c f. o. b. afloat. Options opened steady on the absence of contract grades in Chicago receipts, but later reacted with wheat, closing dull and easy at ½c net decline. January closed 46¼c; March closed 45¼c; May 44@44 3 16, closed 44c; July closed 44¼c. Oats—Spot dull. Options inactive and about steady. Lard dull; Western steam $7 65; refined quiet; continent $7 90; South American $8 50; compound 5¼@5¾c. Butter easy; Western creamery 16@23c; factory 11@14c; State dairy 15@20c. Eggs easy; State and Pennsylvania 21@23c at mark, for average lots; Western regular packing 19@20½c; Western, loss off, 21c. Tallow steady. Cheese firm; fancy large, fall made 11¼@11¾; small fancy, fall made 11¾@12c. Potatoes firm; Jersey $1 25@1 75; New York $1 50@1 87½; Long Island $1 75@2 00; Jersey sweets $1 75@3 00. Pork firm; family $14 50@15 50; short clears $14 50@17 00; mess $13 25@14 50. Petroleum steady. Freights to Liverpool dull; cotton 16c; grain by steam 2½c. Cotton seed oil quiet and about steady at former prices. Prime crude, in barrels, 26½c; prime summer yellow 31c; off summer yellow 30½c; prime white 34@35c; prime winter yellow 35c; prime meal $25 00. Coffee—Spot Rio dull; No. 7 invoice 7½c; mild quiet; Cordova 8@12½c. Sugar—Raw firm but quiet; fair refining 3⅝c; centrifugal, 96 test 4¼c; molasses sugar 3⅝c; refined steady; standard A $5 40; confectioners' A $5 40; cut loaf $6 10; crushed $6 10; powdered $5 70; granulated $5 60; cubes $5 85.

CHICAGO, January 12.—Wheat was quiet and weak early to-day, but rallied on bullish flour news and closed firm. May ½c higher. Corn closed ⅛c, oats a shade and provisions a shade to 5c lower.

CHICAGO, Jan. 12.—Cash quotations: Flour quiet; winter patents $3 70@3 90; winter straights $3 20@3 65; winter clears $2 80@3 40; spring specials $4 40 $4 50; do. patents $3 60@3 80; baker's $2 20@2 70; straights $3 20@3 50. Wheat—No. 3 spring 69@70c; No. 2 red 76@78c. Corn—No. 2, 37@37¼c. Oats—No. 2 24c; No. 2 white 26¼@27¼c; No. 3 white 26¼@27c. Pork, per barrel, $14 00@14 25. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 30@7 32½. Short rib sides, loose, $6 90@7 20. Dry salted shoulders, $6 12½@6 25. Short clear sides, boxed $7 25@7 35. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No 2 January 74¾, 74¾, 74¼, 74¾c; February 75, 75¾, 74¾, 75¾c; May 77¼@77

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Tie up the broken threads of that old dream
And go on happy as before and seem
Lovers again, though all the world may scoff.

Let us forget the cold, malicious fate
Who made our loving hearts her idle toys
And once more revel in the sweet old joys
Of happy love. Nay, it is not too late!

Forget the deep plowed furrows in my brow!
Forget the silver gleaming in my hair;
Look only in my eyes! Oh, darling, there
The old love shone no longer then than now!

Tie up the broken threads and let us go,
Like reunited lovers, hand in hand,
Back and yet onward to the sunny land
Of our To Be, which was our Long Ago.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

PERFUME AND DISEASE.

Nature Practical, Not Poetical, In Scattering Sweet Blossoms.

A French physician has decided that perfumes prevent people from taking certain diseases. During an epidemic his attention was attracted to the fact that persons who constantly used perfumes escaped taking the disease. But he found that the more delicate perfumes, like violet, lavender, attar of rose, were more efficacious than musk and strong, rank essences.

Beccaria, the famous Italian botanist, long ago advised city officials to plant trees and shrubs with odoriferous blossoms or fragrant leaves along the highways, courts and parks of cities, because these strong odors produce ozone, and thereby purify the air and make the city more healthful to human beings confined to city streets or narrow, sunless courts and alleys.

Indeed nature teaches us some of her delicate mysteries and farreaching processes when she plants tuberoses, orange trees, the night blooming cereus and other shrubs and blossoms with such rich and oft well nigh overpowering odors in tropic lands to neutralize the danger of fevers and malaria arising from dense vegetation or damp, unwholesome marshes and rivers.

Who of us can resist the charm to the senses of great masses of white and purple lilacs with countless bees murmuring round the fragrant spikes of blossoms—the pure delightful perfume not too strong in the open air under the radiant sun of May? And lilacs are so vigorous, are easily grown on any soil and very long lived. Only an expert could tell how old some lilacs on a great-grandfather's old place are, with the guarled trunks and vigorous masses of green and blossoms in May. —Boston Transcript.

BLAMED THE GOVERNMENT.

But Had the Letters In His Pocket All the Time.

"See here, young fellow," shouted an angry visaged business man with his head up close to the stamp window in the postoffice. "You are a pretty lot of incompetents that the government hires to transact the nation's mail business."

"What's the matter, sir?" asked the clerk, calm by long familiarity with such outbursts.

"Why, I mailed a letter to Cleveland last week that was of the utmost importance, and it has not reached its destination yet. I have come here to kick, and to kick right hard."

"You're in the wrong pew, my dear sir. Go to the superintendent of mails, and he will fix you up."

The indignant "business man" was passed on from department to department until he finally ran up against the authority competent to handle the matter.

"Such things do sometimes happen," he was informed in the conciliatory words of the superintendent. "We'll send our tracer after your letter. To whom was it addressed? Tell us where and when you mailed it."

"It was a plain envelope," explained the still angry customer. "I usually use a 'return' envelope, but had reasons for using a plain one in this instance. Here is one (fumbling in his pocket) like it. By George, let me look at that again. I'll be hanged if that isn't the very letter. I haven't even addressed it yet."

As he vanished down the corridor there was no suggestion of apology left behind.—Detroit Free Press.

Saturn's Satellite.

The latest discovery in the southern hemisphere, says T. J. J. See in The Atlantic, is the new satellite of Saturn, discovered at Harvard from the examination of photographic plates taken at Arequipa and only made known to astronomers a few months since. On three photographs of Saturn taken in August, 1898, Professor W. H. Pickering detected a faint point of the fifteenth magnitude, which had relative motion among the neighboring stars. Further examination showed that this tiny point, which no mortal eye has ever yet beheld, must be a satellite of Saturn, and a study of all the photographs now available shows that the body revolves about Saturn in about 17 months at a distance of 7,000,000 miles.

THE "GENTLEMAN CORPORAL."

By M. Quad.

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They were going to make a ride to the foothills and back—Captain Cline and the colonel's daughter. That meant a gallop of 30 miles. It was straight away down the stage road for ten miles, then across scrub and plain for five more to hit the natural curiosity called the Devil's basin.

"Not an Indian has been seen this side of the range for four months," said the captain as he talked over the proposed ride with the colonel, "and the trip is perfectly safe. I will detail an escort from my own company, but it will be only for appearance's sake."

"Yes, it will be safe, and May will enjoy the gallop," said the colonel, and no more was said about it.

At sunrise all were ready to set forth. As the girl stood on the veranda waiting for her horse six of the men of A troop came riding up under command of Corporal Haynes. They halted 30 feet away, and as she looked them over she gave a start of surprise, and a flush overspread her face. Next moment her cheeks went white, and she gasped as if choked for breath. The corporal's hand slowly lifted, and his head was uncovered for an instant, and Private Harkins whispered to Private O'Brien:

"And did ye see that, Jim? By smoke, but if our corporal and the colonel's daughter haven't met before then I don't know a jack rabbit from a long drink of whisky!"

"But how can it be?" asked O'Brien.

"How can the grass grow, ye thick head? Don't we call Haynes the 'Gentleman Corporal'? Isn't it agreed in Troop A that he has the education and manners of any officer from West Point and that he's seen the day when he trained with the tiptoppers?"

"And they may have loved?" mused O'Brien.

"That's it, but it's all over now, me boy. If me own sister was married to the second lootenant, I'd not dare to as much as wink me eye at her. It's a big gulf 'twixt officer and man, and if the man tries to bridge it he gets dropped to the bottom. See the girl walking to and fro? She's doing some thinking, and don't ye forget it."

"And the corporal isn't a bit easy in his mind," added the other.

It all took place in a minute, and then Captain Cline rode up, followed by the girl's horse. She called out a good morning and announced that she was ready, and when the captain rallied her on being a bit nervous she forced a laugh and charged him with being four long minutes behind the hour agreed. As she was lifted into the saddle she caught one more glance of the corporal, and the watchful Private Harkins again whispered to his chum:

"Jim, we've got a mystery here or I'm an old woman. The girl is flushing ag'in. Who knows but what we may have a marriage between our 'Gentleman Corporal' and the colonel's daughter?"

"Remember the gulf!" growled O'Brien.

"I'd find a way to fly over it if I was in love."

The two riders went galloping away, followed at a distance of 100 yards by the escort. It was a beautiful morning in summer, with the blue haze lying thick over the distant mountains and an exhilaration in the air to make the blood of both horse and man tingle. Now and then the pace was slackened down a bit to breathe the horses, but no halt was made until the Devil's basin was reached. Close up against the base of Fire mountain was a natural dip, and in this dip, or basin, were half a dozen spouting hot water springs. There was also a circular lake which steamed and bubbled, and now and then from the crevices of the rocks at the west end of the basin steam was forced out, with the notes of a fog horn. The escort halted 40 yards from the riders, and the men sat about on the rocks and ate the breakfast they had brought with them and smoked their pipes and gossiped. Meanwhile Corporal Haynes climbed to the top of a great bowlder and surveyed the country about with his keen eyes. It was three-quarters of an hour before he suddenly started and looked fixedly into the north beyond the basin and after three or four minutes came sliding down the rock and said to the lounging troopers:

"Men, see to your arms and lie close. I'm going up to report to the captain."

Captain Cline and the colonel's daughter were breakfasting on a flat topped rock overlooking the basin, while their horses were fastened to a tree near by. They saw Corporal Haynes approaching, and the captain likewise noticed that the girl flushed and became nervous. He was a single man, and, though not exactly in love with her, a spark of jealousy blazed up in his heart. The corporal's past was a sealed book to his troop commander as well as his comrades. He had been made a corporal because of his attention to duty, his soldierly carriage and the moral influence an educated man always exerts, and the captain had been rather proud of his "Gentleman Corporal." In a flash it came to him that this soldier and the colonel's daughter might have been something to each other in the past, and the thought angered him.

"Did I call you?" he harshly asked as the corporal came to a halt and saluted.

"No, sir," was the reply, "but I thought it best to tell you that I have made out Indians beyond the basin to the north."

"It's all nonsense. Not an Indian has been seen hereabouts for months."

"But there are Indians skulking about, sir," persisted the corporal. "I made sure of it before I came to you."

"Go back to your men!" was the sullen reply.

The corporal had looked straight at his officer and seemed unaware of the presence of the girl. She was flushing and paling alternately, and as he stood there twirling the cap he had doffed in silent recognition she protested:

"But, captain, if there are Indians, there is danger. If this—this soldier saw Indians"—

"Didn't you hear me?" shouted the captain at the lingering corporal.

The corporal saluted, turned on his heel and returned to his men. The gulf between officer and man did not permit him to explain in the face of that blunt command, but when he had reached the troopers he quietly said:

"Men, I have been up to the captain to report that there is a band of at least 50 Indians skulking down this way from Red Bird pass. They have seen us and are after us. The captain doesn't believe me, and you will get ready for a fight. They'll be here within half an hour. Softly now. Just overhaul your carbines and cartridges and make no display to frighten the girl. The reds have got to flank the basin on this side, and they will have to strike us first. We've got good cover, and we can stand 'em off for the day."

"But when night comes?" asked one of the men, though without a tremor in his tones.

"Get quietly ready," was the reply.

Meanwhile there was an argument between the captain and the colonel's daughter. He sought to assure her that nothing had been seen and that there was not the slightest danger; but, to his annoyance, she persisted in believing that there must be good grounds for the corporal's report. This annoyance made him delay matters, and nearly half an hour had passed and it was very much against the grain when he shouted for the soldier to approach and sneeringly asked:

"Well, corporal, isn't it about time your Indians showed up?"

"We shall hear from them in ten minutes," was the reply.

"And they will have rabbits' ears on their heads. You have sticks in your eyes."

"If we mounted now and rode fast, we would find the way open," said the corporal, with downcast eyes.

"Back, you impudent vagabond!" thundered the captain, with outstretched arm. "I'll break you for this the minute we get back!"

The corporal turned his gaze on the girl for a few fleeting seconds. There were anger, entreaty, love and humiliation in his eyes, while he was pale to the lips. For a second he seemed about to speak; then his head and shoulders dropped in a helpless way, and he saluted his officer and retired.

"Oh, Captain Cline, what makes you so harsh with him?" cried the girl as the soldier turned away. "If danger did not menace us, Robert wouldn't!"—

"And so you two have met before?" he asked as she checked herself.

She had risen to her feet, and there were tears in her eyes. She might have replied, but at that minute three rifle shots followed each other in quick succession, and the officer, who was just rising, received a bullet in his shoulder and sank down again.

"Bang, bang, bang!" went the carbines of the troopers, and the corporal came running up the hill to seize and drag his officer under shelter and to say to the girl:

"You must crouch down here and remain quiet. They can't get at you till they have killed the last one of us."

"And is it Indians?" asked Captain Cline as he tried to sit up.

"Fully 50 of 'em, sir, and our escape is cut off. What are the orders?"

"If you'd been keeping a lookout, this could not have happened!" growled the captain between his teeth. "I'll have you court martialed if we ever get back. Get back to your post!"

There was cover for the skulking Indians to within a stone's throw of the bowlders, and it wasn't ten minutes before two of the troopers were killed. After the first shock of pain the captain made his way down to the men, but there were no orders to give. Every horse had been killed as he stood by that time, and a third trooper had been mortally wounded. The direst soldier could have told that there was no escape. In his rage and pain the captain cursed loud and deep, and there were curses on his lips as he half rose to shift his position, and a bullet reached his heart. Crouching behind a bowlder and peering out now and then with staring eyes, and again covering her face with her hands and rocking her body to and fro, the colonel's daughter gasped and sobbed and waited. By and by she missed the reports of the carbines, and the sound of footsteps echoed in her ears.

"Come!" said the corporal as he lifted her up.

"Oh, Robert, and have you beaten them off?" she exclaimed.

"No; my men are all dead, and the Indians will rush us in a minute."

"And we—we"—

He put his arm around her waist and assisted her to the rock on which were the remains of her breakfast. The steaming, heaving, mysterious lake was 30 feet beneath them.

"Better this than that," he said as he pointed from the lake to a score of Indians advancing.

"Yes, better this," she murmured as she took fast hold of him and put up her face to be kissed, and the savages stopped in their advance and shrieked and screamed their disappointment. By and by they advanced and looked down into the lake, but it had no story to tell.

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Mexican Letter Writers.

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 13.

IN CONGRESS YESTERDAY.

No Legislative Business in the Senate Debate in the House on the River and Harbor Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 12.—No legislative business of importance was transacted in the Senate to day. The session was devoted to services held in memory of the late Senator Cushman K. Davis, of Minnesota.

House of Representatives.

After an hour spent in miscellaneous business, during the course of which several bills of minor importance were passed, the House devoted the day to a continuation of the debate on the River and Harbor Appropriation bill, which was interrupted yesterday by private bill day. The main feature was an elaborate speech by Mr. Catchings, of Mississippi, in defence of the improvement of the lower Mississippi river. Mr. Catchings retires from the House on March 4th, after fourteen years of service, during several of which he was chairman of the River and Harbor Committee, and during all of which he has been the special champion of the improvement of the navigation of the Mississippi. His speech to-day was in the nature of a valedictory. It received marked attention, and at its conclusion Mr. Catchings was given an impressive personal ovation.

Mr. Small, North Carolina, made an argument in behalf of the construction of the proposed Dismal Swamp Canal, pointing out the benefits to commerce and navigation to be derived from such an inland water way.

By unanimous consent, general debate upon the bill was ordered closed at 2 o'clock on Monday.

At 4.50 P. M. the House adjourned until Monday.

Mr. Pearson, North Carolina, introduced a bill empowering the Secretary of Agriculture to purchase land suited to the purpose of a national forest reserve in the Appalachin mountains within the States of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee, not to exceed in extent 2,000,000 acres. Five million dollars is appropriated for the purpose.

ELECTRICAL DEVELOPMENTS.

Wm. A. Eddy's Experiments—Electric Signals Which May Have Come from Some Planet.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—William A. Eddy, of Bayonne, N. Y., says that since 1892 he has drawn from his kite wire hundreds of electric signals, both regular and irregular, which may have come from some planet, and that the signals have been usually in groups of three, regularly timed like a Morse sounder. When the ends of the kite sustained by steel wires are separated by silk strands, the sparks jump at twelve seconds intervals. Then there are mysterious disappearances of all electric action for several minutes. These electric sparks come from a high point in the air, not near to the low tension electric currents of trolley and live wires.

Mr. Eddy is about to begin a series of careful measurements of these spark lengths. He does not believe that the Morse sounders affect his wire, because the dynamo electricity sticks to its wire and does not radiate to unknown distances, so far as known, as do the high tension sparks used in wireless telegraphy and the same high tension sparks drawn by him from the clouds.

Mr. Eddy says that these spark signals may come from an outer planet, because electricity travels at the rate of 190,000 miles a second and is as tireless as light which travels 187,300 miles a second, as measured by a rapidly revolving toothed wheel. Great variability in effect is produced when there is apparently no change whatever in the condition of the upper air, so far as known.

Mr. Eddy has been trying to decipher these signals since 1892. It is also to be noted that Tesla's signals come from Pike's Peak, and at a high in the air. Mr. Eddy points out that electricity is superior to light, because an interruption can be transmitted, while light suffuses around a dark shadow, especially if the shadow is of small diameter.

HAY-PAUNCEFOTE TREATY

Under Consideration by Officials of the British Cabinet—Indications Favorable to Acceptance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 12.—Official information has reached the State Department to the effect that the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, as amended by the United States Senate, is now under consideration by the British cabinet officials, with a view to finally determining whether the instrument in its amended form shall be agreed to or not.

There is no intimation at hand as to the probable result of the conference now going on. That it is actually taken up gives promise that an answer one way or the other will be speedily forthcoming, and that there will be no long drawn out delay over the negotiations.

There is a prevailing feeling, unofficially expressed by those who have followed the recent course of affairs, that the indications are favorable to an acceptance. It was pointed out in this connection by an official that if a rejection was contemplated, probably it would have been made at once; whereas, the delay of about two weeks since the amended treaty reached the London Foreign Office, gave evidence that there was a desire on the part of the cabinet officials there to consider the matter with much deliberation in the hope of bringing the two governments into agreement.

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By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, January 12.—Six people were crushed to death and as many more seriously injured in a panic which followed a man's cry of "fire" late this afternoon in West Twelfth street Turner Hall. About eight hundred people were in the place, gathered to witness the performance of a play entitled "The Greenhorn."

The play was in Yiddish and the audience, comprising for the most part women and children, was all Hebrews. The hall stands in the centre of a district densely populated by Jews. The play was nearly over when the cry which caused the panic was raised and within five seconds after it rang through the hall the entire audience was converted into a frantic mob, every member of which was fighting for the safety which lay beyond the doors of the building.

The hall is frequently used for dancing, and when a theatrical performance is given chairs are set for the spectators. As soon as the wild rush toward the doors began, chairs were knocked down in every direction, the aisles disappeared and the excited people ran, climbed and stumbled over the chairs in their way toward the doors.

Around the upper part of the hall extends a balcony which is open only at one end. Here were seated one hundred and fifty women and children, at the farther end of the balcony, away from the stairway, and seeing that the rush toward the exit was blocked to them and their children, they began at once to throw the little ones over the railing to the floor, ten feet below. The children fell into the midst of the maddened throng and were at once trampled under their feet. It is known that three of the dead were children who were thrown from the balcony and were trampled by the crowd, with not a chance for their lives. Following the children many of the women sprang from the balcony upon the crowd below and others swinging over hung by their hands before they dropped. The railing of the balcony was broken through in half a dozen places by the pressure brought against it by the maddened crowd.

On the main floor the crush was much worse than in the balcony. The main exits from the hall and the only ones known to a majority of those who frequent the place, are two doors in the south end of the main auditorium that open upon winding stairs, which, eight steps down, unite into one broader flight leading to the main door at the Twelfth street front. Around these two doors a frantic mass of screaming men, women and children was packed, all struggling fiercely to force their way down the stairs. At the landing, where the flights of stairs winding down from the main hall unite, a woman stumbled and fell. In an instant a score of people were down, and before the rush was over four lives had been crushed out in a space four feet wide by six feet long.

Within five minutes after the beginning of the panic it was all over and the policemen and firemen who came hurrying to the scene of the disaster, were called upon to do nothing beyond carrying away the dead and injured and keeping back the thousands of people who tried to force their way into the building. As soon as the news of the panic had spread through the district, which seemed but a very few minutes, all the Hebrews from that part of the city rushed to the place, bent upon learning the names of the dead and wounded. Men and women fought desperately with the officers in their efforts to enter the building and learn if any of their loved ones were among the dead. The crowd was so great, so excited and so unmanageable, that several calls were sent for additional officers and firemen before it could be restrained. The alarm of fire was false, there having been no blaze at any time. The furnace in the building is somewhat defective and at times allows sparks to pass up through the registers. It was the sight of these sparks rising into the room that frightened the man who raised the cry of fire.

Twenty two persons are reported injured, several very seriously. Six persons are missing.

ASSAULTED BY A NEGRO.

Miss Eva Roth, of Leavenworth, Ks., the Victim—The Negro Spirited Away to Avoid Lynching.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LEAVENWORTH, KAN., January 12.—Miss Eva Roth, a well known young woman of this city, was assaulted on South Broadway, a fashionable residence street of the city, at 6.40 o'clock to-night by Fred Alexander, colored, who had followed her for twelve blocks. Alexander was arrested shortly after the occurrence and was taken to the office of the chief of police.

News of the assault spread rapidly and in a few moments the streets about the station were filled with a mass of excited men, determined to lynch Alexander if he could be reached; but the police had placed him in a hack and taken him to the State penitentiary at Lansing.

Miss Roth recognized her assailant and identified him to the police. Alexander has been watched by the police lately, as he is the suspected murderer of Miss Pearl Forbes, who was assaulted and killed November 6th, three blocks west of the scene of to-night's attempt.

MISSISSIPPI FLOODS.

Waters Subsiding and Trains Resuming Their Runs.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSON, MISS., January 12.—Although the trains are behind their schedules, traffic, which was interrupted yesterday by washouts, has been resumed on the railroads entering Jackson. The waters at Baker's Creek, which spread over the surrounding country, have subsided, and the annulled trains of the Alabama and Vicksburg road are now being sent through, the first passenger train in twenty-four hours leaving this place to-day. On the Gulf and Ship Island road trains are running with extreme caution, as numerous washouts have occurred from the soft condition of the road-bed. The rainfall for forty-eight hours has been more than four inches.

CHINA'S REPRESENTATIVES ORDERED TO SIGN THE NOTE

Department in Washington Without Advices from Conger—The Railway Cession to China.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PEKIN, January 12.—The Chinese peace commissioners have received orders from the court to sign the joint note of the Powers.

WASHINGTON, January 12.—The State Department is still without any advices from Minister Conger, either as to the signing of the peace treaty or to-day's report that the Chinese envoys have received orders from the court to sign. So far as the department is informed, the status at Pekin remains unchanged.

The Railway Cession.

LONDON, January 12.—The Foreign Office here declares the report of the cession of the new Chwang Shan Hai Kuain railway to Russia by Lord Salisbury, as announced by the *Daily Chronicle* this morning, is unfounded. It points out that Great Britain has no power to cede it, as the railroad is Chinese property. Moreover, it is stipulated that it shall not be mortgaged to any foreign government or company. There have been reports that Russian agents are endeavoring to buy out the British interests, but the British government is not connected therewith. Representations have been made to Russia in behalf of the English bondholders, as the action of the Russian officials is considered to have exceeded the military requirements, and the question of compensation will come up when the line is restored to its owners. A convention on this subject is now under discussion.

German Opinion.

BERLIN, Jan. 12.—An official of the Foreign Office informs a representative of the Associated Press that those who are thoroughly acquainted with the Chinese hold that while they are most crafty, still when the note is signed they will consider themselves bound. The Foreign Office also hopefully considers the Dowager Empress's case, remembering that she showed Prince Henry of Prussia unusual courtesies. It believes that while the Dowager Empress is still more or less under anti foreign influence, she will eventually change her attitude and return to Pekin with the whole court, probably at the end of March or the beginning of April.

German political circles' opinion is that the Chinese problem is still a long way off from a definite solution, as the question of damages will occupy much time in Pekin. Nobody here believes that Field Marshal Count Von Waldersee or the German troops will be withdrawn by March. The opinion here rather inclines to another year elapsing before that happens, although it is well known that Russia strongly desires Von Waldersee's retirement and that of the German troops.

NEW STEAMSHIP LINE.

Chartered by Philadelphia Capitalists to Transport Cotton to Europe from Southern Ports..

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan 12.—For the purpose of operating steamers direct from Southern ports to foreign ports, a company has just been chartered in New Jersey by Philadelphia capitalists. The enterprise is to be known as the Ocean Steamship Line, and is capitalized at $1,000,000.

The incorporators are: Eugene Williams, P. Jenks, Eugene F. Caldwell, Jr., Charles T. Schenk and George K. Apple.

Parties interested in the company state that its object is the building of steamers and to transact a general traffic business. The plans are, it is said, to establish steamship lines from the Gulf and South Atlantic ports, mainly for the purpose of transporting cotton to Europe direct.

AN EPIDEMIC OF GRIPPE.

All the Hospitals in New York City Filled With Sufferers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 12.—The wet weather of the past three days has increased the number of cases of grippe. All the hospitals are congested and some have notified the superintendent of the outdoor poor to send no more cases. The dispensaries are crowded from morning till night and an extra force is at work preparing enough mixtures and prescriptions for the grippe. The total number of cases of all kinds in Bellevue to day was 840.

Superintendent George Blair of the outdoor poor department, who has charge of the sending of patients to all the charities hospitals, said that all the hospitals in the city were filled.

PRESIDENT McKINLEY

Making Progress Towards Recovery—Still Confined to His Room.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The President is now making rapid progress towards recovery. He sat up for a short time last evening and to day he not only sat up a longer time than since he was taken ill, but walked about the room several times. If nothing unfavorable occurs, he will likely be able to attend to some matters of pressing business early in the coming week.

The invitations to the diplomatic dinner for next Wednesday evening have been recalled. Dr. Rixey having decided that the risk of the President's taking fresh cold would be too great. It is the present intention that all of the functions which were to have been given this week and next would be given later on during the season.

FALSE VALUATION.

Ogden Goelet's Estate—Report of the Appraiser Made Public.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 12.—The report of the appraiser appointed by the Surrogate to establish the valuation of Ogden Goelet's personal property, was made public to day and shows that it was worth nearly $7,000,000 instead of being a trifle over $400,000, the estimate furnished by the family.

While the value of the real estate has never been determined it is said to exceed $45,000,000. The executors estimated it as "over $5,000,000."

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Bill to Increase the Governor's Salary Discussed in House of Representatives.

OPPOSITION WAS DEVELOPED.

Action Postponed Until Monday—Possibility That the Bill May Be Withdrawn—Many Local Bills Introduced—The Inauguration.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., January 12.—The Act changing the name of the Guardian Security and Trust Company, of Wilmington, to the People's Savings Bank, was ratified by the General Assembly to day and is now a law.

The bill to amend the charter of the Howard Relief Fire Company, Wilmington, passed readings in the Senate and was sent to the House for concurrence.

Interest to-day centered in the House, on account of the bill from the Senate to increase the Governor's salary pending there. Hayes, for the special committee, reported favorably. There was sharp discussion, by Rountree and Hayes, for and Graham, of Granville, against the bill. The latter gave notice of a minority report by the committee. General discussion was precipitated, which resulted in postponement of action until Monday, when the bill will come up as the special order at 11:30 o'clock. Strong opposition to the bill developed in some apparently unaccountable way. Some claim it would not be constitutional, or that Aycock would not be benefitted, because his term began, under the constitution, January first and the salary cannot be increased for his term. Others claim though, that his term does not begin until the fifteenth, when Governor Russell retires. Some prominent Representative intimated this afternoon that Aycock's friends will ask that the bill be withdrawn Monday. However, this is by no means certain, and if not withdrawn there will be a right vigorous fight. An amendment will be offered increasing the salary to five thousand dollars.

Important calendar bills were acted upon to-day as follows:

To allow Rocky Mount to issue bonds for electric lights, a sewerage system and other purposes; passed second reading.

Resolution requesting the Treasurer of the State to furnish the General Assembly a list of names and amount of salaries of all superintendents, teachers, presidents and officers of all State schools, the University, the asylums, the penitentiary, and other State institutions, was referred to committee.

A large number of local bills of no general importance was introduced and referred to committees, and a recess was taken until 10.30 A. M. Monday.

Senate Proceedings.

Very little interest was taken in to-day's session of the Senate. Bills of interest were introduced as follows:

By Foy, to exempt Pender county from the 1899 road law.

By Brown, to create a new township in Columbus.

By Broughton, to incorporate the State Optical Society, establish a board of examiners, require a license to practice, etc.

The Senate adjourned to noon Monday.

Plans for the Inauguration.

Plans for the inauguration are complete. The Governor and party will arrive on a special train at eleven o'clock. The Legislative committee will escort the party from Goldsboro to Raleigh. The Citizens committee will meet the Governor who will be driven to the Governor's mansion.

At 11:20 the Legislative and Citizens committees will conduct the present and incoming State officers to the place of inauguration. If the weather is favorable the inauguration ceremonies will take place at the east front of the capitol. Chairman F. D. Winston, of the Legislative committee, will be master of ceremonies. If the weather is bad, the ceremonies will take place in the Academy of Music. Troops will form at eleven o'clock on Fayetteville street, between Davie and Cabarrus. Will march to the Executive mansion and thence escort the Governor to the east front of the capitol. At the conclusion of the inauguration ceremonies, the Governor and State officers will repair to the balcony of the Yarborough House, from which they will review the State Guard, which will march down Fayetteville street to the Centenial school, and then will countermarch, and on arrival at the Yarborough will form in line for dress parade.

At eight o'clock Tuesday night, a public reception will be held at the Governor's mansion, at which the Governor and the incoming State officers with their wives will receive.

Ample provision will be made for the entertainment of visiting military companies. There will be three good halls for quarters, good things to eat and drink (coffee) as a compliment from the city of Raleigh. The Public Comfort Committee has homes for all citizens, from a dollar a day up.

Funeral services over the body of Colonel William L. Trenholm, who died in New York Friday, were held yesterday at his residence. The Rev. John Huske, of St. Thomas' P. E. Church, read the burial service. The remains will be taken to Charleston, S. C., for interment.

Among the cadets found deficient in studies and discharged from West Point are W. C. Bodman and W. W. Pierce from North Carolina; T. M. Bunch and M. S. Davis, South Carolina.

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MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Louis Currier, a Painter, Killed His Wife and Son and Then Cut His Own Throat.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ALBANY, N. Y., January 12.—Louis Currier, aged 40 years, at an early hour this morning cut his wife's throat, broke his son Archie's head with a base ball bat, took a dose of Paris green, and then cut his own throat from ear to ear with a razor. All three are dead. Currier left a letter addressed to the police, which shows that the murder was premeditated. The letter is as follows:

"To whom it may concern: When you find our dead bodies you may call upon the president of the Painters' Union and get one hundred and fifty dollars for my funeral and one hundred dollars on my wife that; will bury the three of us, I guess. Notify my brother-in-law and his wife, who is my sister. She keeps a store on the corner of First and Lexington streets I give them all my belongings, and also her father in North Adams. I have a sister in Morton street. Don't let her see any of us. * * * With my best wishes, I remain, till death,

"LOUIS CURRIER."

"She bought the Paris green herself last week from Harvith's drug store for the purpose of poisoning me, but I watched her too close and I gave her a hard death. I wish I could have given her more, for that is not half enough. I wish I had done it before."

Currier was a painter by trade and was 40 years of age. His wife, whom he married thirteen years ago, was then employed in a woollen mill at North Adams, Mass. The one child, the second victim of the father's gruesome deed, was twelve years of age.

Mrs Israel Currier, sister of the murderer and suicide, exonerates the dead woman and states that her brother made life most wretched for his wife, drinking to excess and abusing her.

REAL ESTATE DEAL.

Said to Be the Largest Transaction Ever Made in the Northwest.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

ST. PAUL, MINN., Jan. 12.—What is said to be the largest real estate transaction ever made in the Northwest was closed to-day, whereby the Northern Pacific Railway Company disposes of the entire remaining portion of the Federal land grant of 1864 to a syndicate composed of Mankato and St. Paul capitalists. The purchase price runs into the millions.

The lands lie in North Dakota between the Missouri and James river, and embrace a tract of a million and a half acres.

Settlement will be pushed at once.

A MIGHTY GUSHER.

Important Oil Discovery on Sabine River in Southeastern Texas.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PETERSBURG, PA., January 12.—J. M. Cuffey has made the most important oil discovery of the past ten years. Last Thursday noon he drilled in a mighty gusher in Southeastern Texas, located on a 3,800 acre tract, eighteen miles from Sabine Pass, on the Sabine river, and fourteen miles from Port Arthur, in Jefferson county.

Mr. Guffey stated to-night that he thought fifteen barrels a day will be a conservative estimate of what the well is producing, and thought it would reach 60,000, which would make it the largest in the world.

TROUBLES IN SAN DOMINGO.

U. S. Government Will Take Action Necessary to Protect American Interests.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 10.—The government will probably take cognizance of the troubles in San Domingo, and will take such action as is necessary for the protection of American interests. Thus far, however, the State Department has not heard from Consul General Maxwell on the reports that the St. Domingo government has resumed the direction of its own fiscal affairs, thus terminating the system by which an American syndicate collected the duties and paid the debts of the government.

WARM WIRELETS.

William Jennings Bryan announces that the first issue of his paper, *The Commoner*, will appear Wednesday, January 23.

Secretary Gage recommends to the House that an appropriation of $31,000 be made for locating a light house at Cape Romano, Fla.

The American Cigar Company, capital $10,000,000, was incorporated in Trenton, N. J., yesterday. James B. Duke is among the nine incorporators.

The National Congress of Mothers has accepted the invitation of Columbus, Ohio, as the place for holding its next convention. The meeting will be held some time in May, the date to be announced next week.

A St. Petersburg correspondent announces that the Russian government ordered the *Novoe Vremya* to cease its attacks upon the French government and upon General Andro, the French minister of war.

Secretary Long concurs in the recommendation of the naval board for the transfer of the South Atlantic naval station from Port Royal to Charleston, S. C., and arrangements will now proceed for the purchase of a site at Charleston.

President Cunningham, of the State Agricultural Society of North Carolina, made argument yesterday before a meeting of members of the Senate Committee on Finance in support of the proposition to reduce the war revenue tax on tobacco. The committee took no action.

Walter G. Coleman has been appointed general travelling passenger agent of the Seaboard Air Line, with headquarters in Washington. Mr. Coleman is an experienced railroad man. He has just resigned as auditor of the Philippine archipelago, on account of ill health.

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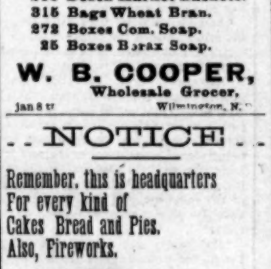

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